AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A three-dimensional joint, structure, made of two hollow profiles, of a support frame for vehicles, in which the first hollow profile has at least one planar side and is cut through around its circumference in one single plane except for a web lying in the planar side and is bent around this web, and the second hollow profile has at least two directly neighboring planar sides, which press against the ends of the first hollow profile facing toward one another, which result through the cutting and bending, the two hollow profiles being integrally joined to one another at the edge regions of the first hollow profile.

2. (Previously presented) The joint structure according to claim 1, wherein the contours of the two hollow profiles press against one another without gaps.

3. (Previously presented) The joint structure according to claim 1. wherein the first hollow profile has projecting edge regions on its ends facing toward one another, which press against the second hollow profile.

4. (Previously presented) The joint structure according to claim 1, wherein, in the region of the edges of the first hollow profile, quadrilateral cutouts, curved corresponding to the edge radius, which extend along the separating cut over the entire edge radius, are cut out symmetrically to the separating cut.

5. (Previously presented) The joint structure according to claim 4, wherein the cut-out cutouts have rounded corners.

6. (Withdrawn) A method for manufacturing a joint structure according to claim 1, comprising the following method steps:

a) cutting through a first hollow profile having at least one planar side around its circumference in one single plane except for a web lying in the planar side,

b) bending the first, partially cut-through hollow profile around the web lying in the planar side,

c) placing the two planar sides of a second hollow profile, which has two directly neighboring planar sides, on the ends of the first hollow profile facing toward one another, which result through the cutting and bending, and

d) integrally joining the second hollow profile to the first hollow profile at these edge regions.

7. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 6, wherein, before the cutting, the first hollow profile is deformed around its circumference except for a web lying in the planar surface and the separating cut is laid through the middle of the deformation.

8. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 7, wherein the deformation is introduced into the first hollow profile through hydroforming.

9. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 6, wherein the first hollow profile is cut through laser beam cutting.

10. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 6, wherein the hollow profiles are joined by welding or soldering.

11. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 10, wherein the welding or soldering is performed using laser beams.